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It is a sweet boon to be regularly assured the members of the alliance are in the full enjoyment of it.

Alliance men should be a string to the bow, they are rolling into the burrows hoppers.

GENERAL VAN WYCK may be a man without a party, but he still retains a fair command of the pointed terms embraced in the English language.

The farmers of Nebraska cannot be in such desperate financial straits as the political leaders assert when one hundred thousand dollars more than can be raised to "blow in" on a political venture.

The conduct of the campaign by the republican congressional committee seems to worry the democrats exceedingly. In their revised wisdom of Mr. Flanagan, that is what the committee is there for.

The locomotive engineers as a class deserve a monument of heroic proportions to celebrate their bravery and faithfulness. John Burns of the Lake Shore road is the latest example of their courage and worth.

The Frontenors are always welcome in Omaha, but they are not absolutely essential as an escort to Hon. L. D. Richards. That distinguished gentleman has a very respectable Douglas county following available at any time.

KANSAS CITY papers greedily grab the frothings of a besotted scamp about Omaha as gospel truth. It doesn't require much to console the decaying town by the Kaw, and it is welcome to what comfort it can glean from the ravings of hired slanderers.

The Foraker speech nominating Blaine for president in 1892 was not intended as a boom for Blaine so much as a boom for Foraker. Relapsing into obscurity is an operation which the brilliant Orison does not relish, but is frequently the fate of men who climb high too early in life.

The rule or ruin policy of the homeless mercenaries is illustrated by vicious assaults on Omaha and Lincoln. Having failed to convince the people that free whisky was better than regulation and restriction, they attempt to pull down the leading cities and satisfy a malicious spirit. And those wretches parade as defenders of homes.

KATE FIELD refuses to believe that the Mormons are sincere in their renunciation of polygamy. How would it do for Kate to make a test case? If she could live in Salt Lake City for a period of six months without receiving a proposal from some susceptible saint the country would feel like taking Wilford Woodruff at his word. Here is a chance for Kate to do service to the government and society.

COLLECTOR ALEXANDER'S exposition of the McKinley tariff law, published in this issue, should receive the careful attention of every reader of THE BEE. It is a lucid statement of the effect of that much discussed measure on western and all American interests. It is a most valuable campaign document, and it is true. It penetrates the fog with which the democrats have sought to surround the law and lets in the clear sunlight of common sense.

Our esteemed double-headed contemporary is trying to revive the spark of hope which it recently crushed out in the breasts of Kem and his followers. It now asks: "Who is first—Thompson or Kem?" and says that is a question about which friends of the candidates differ. Only a few days ago the double-headed presented full returns from the Third district and had Thompson elected by a comfortable plurality. But that view of the case showed too plainly the democratic scheme of using the alliance for its own ends and now the World-Herald tries to hedge. It is too late, however. Every republican farmer knows that a vote for Kem is half a vote for Thompson.

THE INDEPENDENT LEADERS.

The trenchant letter of General Van Wyck to the men who claim to be champions and secretary of the central committee of the independent people's party, ought to open the eyes of the honest friends of reform who are giving their support to that party to the true character of the leaders of the movement. The facts presented by General Van Wyck cannot be refuted, however vigorously they may be denied, and they convict the independent leaders of a deliberately planned and persistently pursued course of chicanery and trickery which should cause them to be distrusted and repudiated by all men who believe that at least some measure of fairness and honesty should be observed even in politics.

The arraignment of these mendacious shows the self-seeking motive which is at the bottom of their professed concern for reform. From the outset every effort of the independent has been prompted by the single purpose of advancing the personal fortunes, financial and political, of its members, and with rare exceptions only those whom it has been well assured would contribute to this purpose have received its favor. Men who had the method to refuse to submit to its dictation, and who insisted upon straightforward and honest methods, have not and do not now have the countenance of the small coterie of jugglers who achieved the leadership of the so-called independent party.

If these men are not playing directly into the hands of the democratic party their course certainly justifies the belief that they are entirely capable of doing so. All their methods and practices show that they would not be likely to hesitate at any trickery or deal which promised them personal advantage. What could reasonably be expected of such men were they to attain the power they so hungrily desire? Would it be safe to entrust to them the duty of carrying out the work of political and economic reform which is so necessary to the prosperity and progress of Nebraska? To say nothing of their incompetence for such a task, have they not most amply demonstrated that they lack the integrity essential to its proper performance? In view of the record they have made, how is it possible to have any faith in their professed devotion to the interests of the people, or to believe that they might not become the insidious instruments of the enemies of those interests?

These are questions which the thousands of honest and sincere men who are supporting the independent movement, in the full belief that it is the true way to bring the old parties to a realizing sense of their duty to the people, should seriously consider. Whatever may be said in justification of the independent movement, or of its intrinsic merits as a means of purifying the political situation, if it have not honest and intelligent leadership it must not only fail of its purpose, but the effect of failure would be very likely to put the political situation in a worse condition than it has ever been. This would assuredly be the case if the result should be the transfer of the administration of affairs to the democratic party.

DOING NOTHING.

President Hartman of the real estate exchange is quoted in a recent interview: "We are doing nothing and don't expect to do anything until after November 4. If reason triumphs over fanaticism on that day, the exchange will be immediately reorganized."

Does President Hartman imagine that "reason will triumph over fanaticism" by doing nothing? Victory cannot be achieved without hard, persistent and united work. No battle was ever won at long range. Every man concerned in the result of the contest must get into the trenches and actively support those who have borne the brunt of the battle for six months.

The time for the fighting all along the line is at hand. But two weeks remain for "reason to triumph over fanaticism." A denoting policy is fatal. The real estate exchange, as well as every commercial, business and social organization in Omaha and the state should put aside all other questions for the time being and vigorously work to achieve that on which the progress and prosperity of the state depends. Nor should they wait for formal invitations to join the grand army of Nebraska's defenders. The venomous assaults made upon the people, the slanders and falsehoods heaped upon the state and the malignant attacks on the motives of those who dared to differ with the imported mercenaries, appeals to the pride of every citizen. Having assisted in making Nebraska the equal of older states in all that contributes to happiness and contentment, they should indignantly repel the assaults of its character and credit with the zeal and devotion of patriots.

CHARGE OF "PERNICIOUS ACTIVITY."

The charge that federal office-holders are more than usually active in the present campaign is refuted by the result of an investigation which shows that the number of office holders publicly engaged in campaign work is less than one-third of the number who were allowed to leave their posts of duty for political labor during the last administration. It is stated that at one time during the campaign of 1888 almost every democrat in the departments at Washington who could make a speech was on the stump, and the same was true of the last presidential campaign. In the latter the postmaster general, the secretary of the interior, the commissioner of pensions, and many other officials of less importance, were away from Washington for weeks on political stumpings, the pernicious activity in this respect of federal officeholders being so marked that even the mugwump admirers of the administration felt called upon to condemn it. There has not been a campaign for thirty years in which a less number of officeholders took a public part than are engaged in the pending campaign.

There was another statement put forth by the democrats a short time ago which they were equally unsuccessful in

sustaining. This was that the clerks in the departments at Washington were being pressed for campaign contributions under a threat that refusal might cost them their position, while generous subscriptions would be noted to their advantage. The fact is that less money has gone out of the departments for political purposes than ever before, and so far as appears there has been no systematic effort to obtain funds from this source. Unquestionably, a great many clerks, perhaps most of them, have made voluntary contributions, as they have a perfect right to do, but that there has been any undue pressure upon them, or that they have been subjected to any threats, those who have charged these things have been unable to show by any evidence, and we may be sure if any evidence was to be had they would have found it.

The course of the present administration regarding civil service reform has not given complete satisfaction to the radical reformers. Possibly it will not be able to satisfy them, even should it endeavor to do so. But in respect of "pernicious activity" it is politics on the part of federal office holders, which thus far is not one with which fair-minded men will find fault. The president and his chiefs of departments are showing a willing disposition to respect the general popular opinion that public officials should mingle as little as possible in the political contests of the people.

AN OVACTION TO RICHARDS.

Last night's grand ovation to Hon. L. D. Richards is the answer of the republicans of Douglas county to those who have said they would prove lukewarm in their support of the gubernatorial candidate. Douglas county republicans have not thrown down their guns and run away. They are very unanimously opposed to prohibition, but they are loyal to the whole republican ticket and will do their part to elect it.

Nobody who witnessed the enthusiasm that surged within the four walls of the Coliseum last night will doubt these facts. Richards and Major received a hearty God-speed from Omaha and Douglas county.

UNION PACIFIC PROSPERITY.

President Charles Francis Adams has been in the west now for a fortnight. During that time he has had his fingers constantly upon the pulse of the great railway system of which he is the head. To a BEE representative at Salt Lake he gave an account of his observations upon the condition of a patient that has for a long time occupied the best room in the government hospital for the cure of ailing corporations.

Mr. Adams reports that the Union Pacific railway is in a condition of superb health. His comments on the subject are marked by a warmth of enthusiasm quite foreign to the temperance of his historic family. He says he supposed a year ago that he had made ample provisions for handling the business of the road. He counted upon an increase of perhaps ten per cent, but to his amazement the increase is over twenty-five per cent and the facilities are quite inadequate to the demands upon it. The road is blocked with business which it can hardly handle and everything indicates that this marvelous prosperity is to continue without abatement.

His men are worried beyond endurance, "says the dispatch, "and all departments are rushed to death." Hereports that one hundred and seventy new locomotives and one thousand new coal cars have been ordered, and that one million ties will soon be put in needed places and miles of new steel laid as soon as possible.

It will be pleasing to Uncle Sam to learn that a debtor who owes him something more than fifty million dollars is in so flourishing a condition. In the light of President Adams' enthusiastic account of the road's affairs, it is easy to see how the stock of the Union Pacific is still highly valued in spite of its numerous unprofitable branches and its interminable rivers of watered stock and bonds. It is undoubtedly a great and prosperous property, draining a country that is going forward to development by leaps and bounds. And it is apparently able to take care of itself in the future.

Now why cannot this powerful and prosperous corporation do something for the people of Nebraska in the way of lower rates on local traffic? Why should not the business men and the army of consumers in this state receive at least a portion of the benefits of a prosperity which they have largely assisted in creating? Why should not the rates in Nebraska come down to the basis enjoyed by the patrons of other roads in other states? These are questions important enough to warrant candid discussion.

THE SOLID WEST.

The solid west is such a substantial political fact as the solid south, but it lives under another flag. It is the bulwark of republicanism.

Viewed in this light, the present heated contests in Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska have a significance that is not measured by state issues, nor even by the importance of retaining republican supremacy in the lower branch of congress. In this aspect of the case the contests in these three states concern the deeper question of maintaining the integrity of the republican organization as a whole, of protecting from impairment the solid center of the republican line, where the impregnable batteries are supposed to be located and on which the less reliable wings of the army fall back to rally again after occasional repulses in off years.

When the solid south breaks it will be necessary for the democracy to reform its lines on new grounds. This will be a blessing to the country. It will show that the ugliest features of our present politics have passed away. It will mark the beginning of a new era in which the producing masses of the south and of the west, who have many things in common, may stand together. But so long as the solid south continues to be an unyielding political fact, the solid west must remain to hold up the banner of nationality, of equal rights and of sound economic policy.

icy under which the nation came out of chaos into the light of prosperity.

This is a sentiment that should appeal to the pride and patriotism of every republican in Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa. It will be sad news for the republicans of the United States when the solid west goes back upon its ancient faith. No local issues involved in the election of governors and congressmen are of superior importance to this consideration of maintaining the integrity of the party as a national institution.

Stand by the grand old party for what it means to the future of the politics of the United States. We shall elect a president two years hence.

How do the people of Lincoln relish the letter of "A. Roberts, secretary of the prohibition state committee," to Census Superintendent Porter. Mr. Roberts had the courage to sign his name, an example the anonymous slanders and falsifiers of Omaha wisely failed to follow, but his assertions and accusations are malicious and baseless. The methods adopted by prohibitionists for revenue only should arouse the people to defend themselves, their city and their names from the foul attacks of unprincipled agitators. The people of the whole state, no less than the residents of the city, are proud of the capital, its splendid growth and progressive enterprise. That it should be maligned by persons claiming to be citizens of the state, its growth pronounced fictitious, and the people openly accused of conspiring to commit fraud, is an outrage that should be indignantly repelled at every ballot box in the state. And what is true of Lincoln applies to every city in the state. None are safe from the attacks of these mercenary raiders.

Mr. JOHN M. THURSTON is reported as having said at a Minneapolis gathering of republicans that President Harrison is very unpopular in Nebraska. This opinion is in marked contrast with the emphatic endorsement which President Harrison received at the hands of the largest convention of republicans that has ever met in Nebraska and at the hands of every congressional convention as well as the conventions in Omaha and Douglas county during the present campaign.

Two years ago it cost the county thirty-five cents per square yard to do extra grading around the new hospital. Now contractors are tumbling over each other to do like work for the county at a fraction less than thirteen cents. And the democratic shouters proclaim that "everything is going up." The assertion however applies only to the democracy as a party.

AN eastern railroad president speaks, in his annual report, of the "unconscious persecution of the railroads by the people." It certainly is very unconscious in this part of the country, but the people have a lively sense of the persecution practiced by the railroads upon them. If it works the other way in the east, it is only poetic justice.

ASSURANCES are given that some two thousand snags have been ruthlessly torn from the bosom of the Missouri. The sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars was at the same time turned from the federal treasury by the commission for the tremendous labor of signing the payroll. There are no snags on the commission.

The double-disjointed organ of two parties throws Kim overboard and grabs Allan Root by the beard for a temporary love feast. Bryan committed a fatal error in quoting and commenting THE BEE's opinions.

The attempt to force out of the race three of the best democrats on the ticket deserves the contempt of every party patriot. On behalf of the party without an organ, THE BEE protests against the insulting conspiracy.

We commend the pluck of candidates Ford, Folker and Breen in resending the invitation to retire from the ticket. What conventions have joined together let no collection of political dudes put asunder.

THERE has been a sufficiency of nonentities on the county board. If the taxpayers really desire reform and economy in county affairs they must see to it that Van Camp is kept at home.

ROTLINGER is not as great a fool as his enemies picture him. He certainly showed good horse sense in retreating with a pot of five million francs raked up by his gullible admirers.

McKINNON concluded to brazen it out. The dark spots in his record are too numerous to be successfully explained or covered with white wash.

THE F. F. B. of the democracy are not in a retiring mood. They prefer defeat at the polls to the silk-stocking boot.

The mercenary assaults on Omaha and Lincoln deserve the unanimous rebuke of the voters of both cities.

TREASURER THURSTON displayed remarkable agility in opening his mouth and sticking his foot in it.

THERE will be a large army of disappointed democrats in Nebraska when the ballots are counted.

The greatest want of the hour is the total want of harmony in the local democratic camp.

The republican party of Douglas county is feeling very well, thank you.

Or Develop the Industry Here.

It would not be bad idea to place Canadian rapid transit just on the free list.

Boston's Stern Morality.

Boston's functionaries don't think "The Clemencon Camp" exactly a case for democracy.

Clergymen in Politics.

What has been done in New York City should be done elsewhere. The crying need of the times is better municipal government. If New York needs it Albany certainly demands it, and our local clergymen could not

do better than to imitate the excellent example that has been set by their brethren of New York.

But Clients Don't Take to Them.

Large checks are always fashionable for lawyers' suits.

Long on Statements.

A Brooklyn Democratic paper arises to demand "free postage." The country may be a little short on postage, but the crop of statesmen is heavy this year.

Would Better Obey It.

The Newfoundland government should cease its efforts to repeal the bail law. The law as to bail is that if you want to fish you must cut it, and it should be allowed to stand.

He Took No Chances.

Judge—You robbed your benefactor in a most shameful way. Do you feel no compunctions of conscience?

Defendant—Before answering, sir, I would like to consult my counsel.

A New Issue.

A woman in Nebraska lately wrote the governor of that state to inquire if there was any premium or bounty for triplets and to mention that if there was she was entitled to it. The governor was compelled to inform her that the state has neglected to encourage baseness of this kind.

IN THE POLITICAL SWIM.

When zealous Mr. Holt introduced his field-day resolutions before the ministers' meeting yesterday one could have heard a pin drop. Not a word was said on the subject, and the assembly with which other business was taken up was very, very noticeable. Verily politics and prohibition don't mix.

And now comes the startling announcement that Warren Switzer (German for Schweitzer) is seeking his fortune in the east, that he is a German-American citizen. It is alleged that way back three or four generations in the mold, cobweb by past Mr. Switzer's ancestry came direct from Limburger, where Sauer Kraut grew on trees and Stealers of beer ran riot on the Rhine. But how will this information work when given to the silk-stocking associates of Mr. Switzer who have formerly, with him, renounced their forebears in the east country and refused to recognize their countrymen as they passed by? This is the burning question that our friends of Teutonic origin will hurl at Mr. Switzer in the present campaign.

Buffalo county allendances have already paid \$50 into the independent campaign fund, and now some of them are ungrateful enough to ask where all this money has gone.

The democratic managers in Douglas county have adopted a new scheme to dispose of the dead weight that is the one distinguishing feature of the party's legislative ticket. It didn't sound well to come out and announce to the world that a portion of the ticket was not worthy the suffrages of the voters on account of the ineptitude mentally and otherwise and so a new plan for unloading had to be devised.

The solution of the problem has been offered in the alleged discovery that there was an error in the records of the secretary of the county convention and that some of the men on the ticket did not receive the number of votes necessary for a nomination. This claim was made by the county delegates who were supporting C. A. Lyon for the legislative nomination and the claim served as a loophole for the county central committee to get out of an embarrassing situation. The matter has been referred to a committee for investigation. The records of the convention clerk have been produced and bets are offered without takers—that when the committee reports it will be discovered that J. C. Brennan, "Chance" Folker and one or two others will be dropped from the list—all on account of an error made in counting the vote in the convention.

"Don't you believe any reports that claim I'm not in it," said Pat Ford yesterday. "I guess any man who pays his assessment is all right and I'm ready to pay mine."

The democratic assessment roll for campaign purposes constitutes prima facie evidence that all is not harmony in the ranks of the untried. Not many years ago when a prominent Omaha democrat was in the race, in which he proved a winner, for congressional honors, James E. Boyd was a contributor to the campaign fund to the amount of \$250. This was considered liberal and, as a matter of course, reciprocal liberality has been expected by the democratic managers in this campaign with Mr. Boyd as the object of expected favors. But the facts show that the democrats who were formerly honored are either forgetful or ungrateful. When a cry for financial help went up from the same source a few days ago the man who had donated \$250 for the \$250 responded by a measly \$50 contribution. This explains why the democratic candidates for honors on the county ticket are grinning under burdensome assessments.

A democrat familiar with the situation said: "There is and has been considerable dissatisfaction with the county ticket, but the noise already made won't be a marker to the howl that will go up from the candidates when the assessment for campaign purposes is made. The modest democrats are not coming to time and the entire expense of the county fight will have to be borne by the candidates. When the central committee slaps a \$500 assessment on each of the senatorial candidates and about \$300 on each of the other candidates I imagine you'll hear some merry music."

Hon. George W. Blake, chairman of the independent central committee, was in the city yesterday and called upon THE BEE. Mr. Blake said for the present he had nothing to say in reply to General Van Wyck's open letter addressed to his committee. He added, however, that Jay Burrows had nothing to do with the dictum economicizing Senator Van Wyck from the independent party.

LITTLE RIPIETS.

St. Joseph News: Do Marcus—"I hear poor Willie is lying at the point of death."

St. Asedon—"Lying, eh? Well, well, the ruling passion strong in death, you know."

New Orleans: Phony news. Yale has adopted new rules and a new game of football. This may require new professors in the college.

Chicago Tribune: Mr. Chegwate—"Six months, I have a couple of tickets to lecture this evening. Want to go?"

Mrs. Chegwate—"What's the use of asking me Josiah? I haven't a thing to wear."

"All right. Then we'll go to the opera."

THE GAUGE OF AFFECTION.

Chicago Evening Post.

"Twas in a breath of promise said, the letters all were read."

And here is what the opening words of each epistle said:

"Dear Mr. Smith." "Dear Friend," "Dear John," "My Darling Four-Leaf Clover,"

"My Oldest Jack," "Dear John," "Dear Sir," then "Sir," and all was over.

JAY BURROWS IS VERY ANGRY.

He Will Sue the Lincoln Journal for Twenty Thousand Dollars.

Only One Breath of Free Air—Is Crooked—Had His Wife's Paramour Arrested—Other Lincoln News.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 20.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Jay Burrows, editor and publisher of the Alliance, is madder to-day than a March hare and yet he cannot be. Not only did he reply to Senator Van Wyck's letter by a long and elaborate article, published in the morning BEE, but the soul of the farmers' dictator clear down to his toenails, but on top of this morning Lincoln Journal contained a charge that Burrows had pocketed \$10,000 of the independent campaign fund.

To say that Burrows was mad is putting it very mildly, and when he was not by your correspondent this afternoon his eyes were still flashing fire. He most emphatically denied the assertions in the article published in the Journal and denounced them as malicious fabrications from beginning to end. He said further:

"I have had no connection and have now no connection whatever with the committee handling the campaign funds. I have never received or distributed any campaign funds. I am not a contributor or distributor of that money. All I have to do in the line of funds is to receive the funds from the treasurer. The assertion that \$10,000 has been collected is untrue. The fact is that not less than \$1,000 has been received for the campaign fund. I have made up my mind to sue the Lincoln Journal for \$20,000 damages for malicious statements, and I am now on my way to see my attorney in regard to the matter."

BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL LANDS.

At the meeting this morning of the board of educational lands and funds, Messrs. Leese, Steen and Cowdy were present. Attorney General Leese presented the following:

Resolved, That the state treasurer be and he is hereby instructed to pay the cash for the purchase of the permanent school fund the cash for all state warrants for payment when a levy has been made to pay such warrants.

This was unanimously passed, and will silence certain complaints now lately of moneylenders buying warrants from state officials and holding them for the 7 per cent interest that they pay.

It was decided to authorize John Brady to have section 16-125 of Buffalo county surveyed, and after the land is surveyed, Brady is to have the right to lease or purchase it at the appraisal valuation.

The following resolution of interest to persons delinquent on leased land was also passed:

Whereas, There are at present a large number of delinquent in payment of semi-annual interest, and

Whereas, It would be in his duty to force the payment of the same at this time, therefore be it

Resolved, That the commissioner of public lands and buildings be and he is hereby instructed to delay the payment of the 1st for the forfeiture of all delinquent school land cases in the future.

Lot 12, block 13, city of Lincoln, was ordered to be advertised and offered for sale and lease. Lots 44, 45 and 46, section 36, township 8, range 10, Omaha county, were ordered surveyed, appraised and leased.

The following was also passed:

Whereas, The land of educational lands and funds served as a loophole for the county central committee to get out of an embarrassing situation.

Resolved, That the state treasurer be and he is hereby instructed to pay the cash for the purchase of the permanent school fund the cash for all state warrants for payment when a levy has been made to pay such warrants.

Resolved, That the bonds of Sherman county now held by the state be conveyed for the purpose of the exchange in accordance with the proposition of said county made to this board.

ONLY ONE WHITE OF FREE AIR.

Tomorrow John Butler, who was sent to the penitentiary for fifteen months for robbing a bank, will be released. He will be released free of all charges after Butler after he committed the crime was arrested. He was purchased by the state and then he was released across the Missouri river into Iowa.

Regulation papers were secured from the governor of that state and the chase continued clear to Burlington. He then got across the river and fled into Illinois. Again regulation papers were gotten out and the fugitive was pursued through Biggsville and Monmouth and finally was run down in Galeburg. He was brought back to Nebraska, arraigned, pleaded guilty to the crime of grand larceny, and sentenced to eighteen months in the penitentiary. Through his good behavior he has gained three months good time. Tomorrow, after he has served his term, he will be released free of all charges, and will find his way back to his home in Illinois.

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of Sam McClay, H. V. Hoagland, C. M. Parker, H. C. McArthur, Joe Posters, Mart Howe and others. Hoagland was chosen master of ceremonies.

Clarence Hawk, who carelessly discharged a shot gun Saturday night and shot Mr. Baldwin in the neck, was arraigned in the police court today. Baldwin did not appear against him, and as Hawk claimed that the discharge was an accident, he was released.